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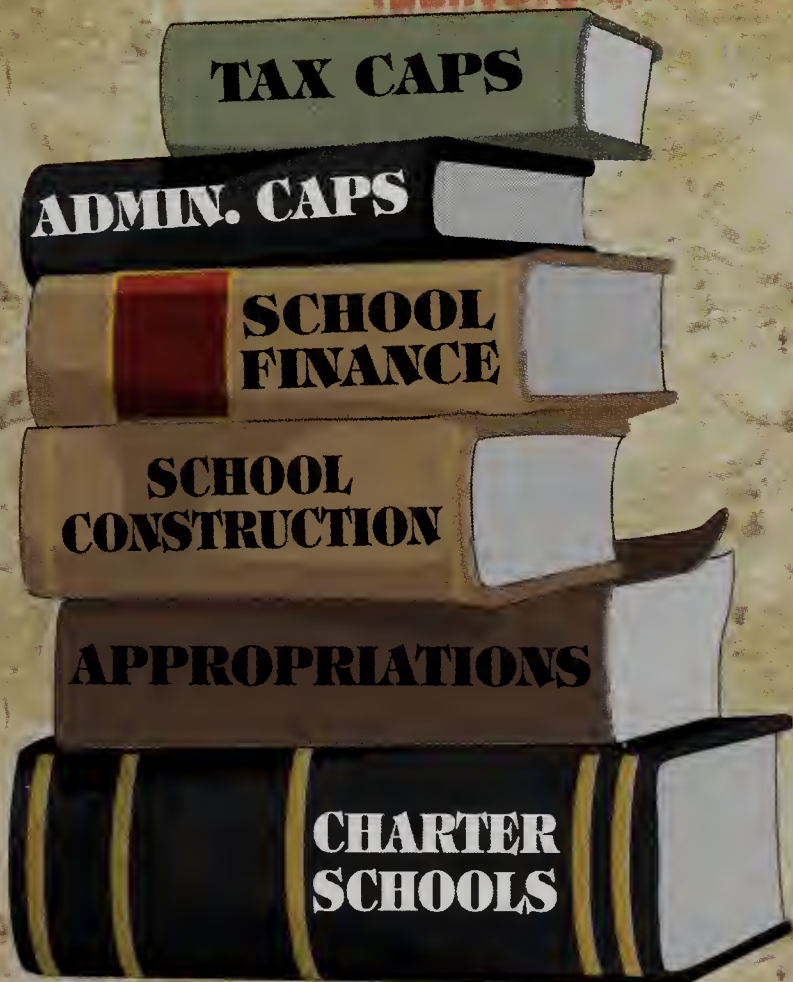
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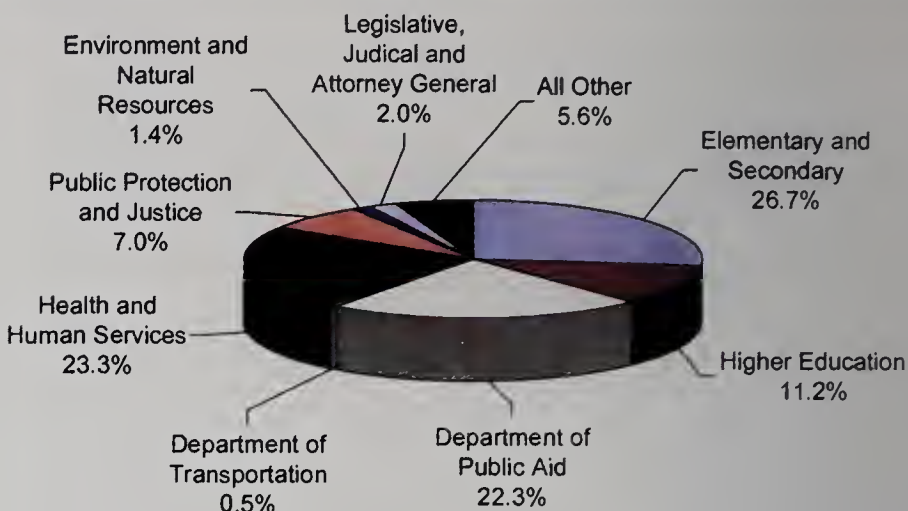
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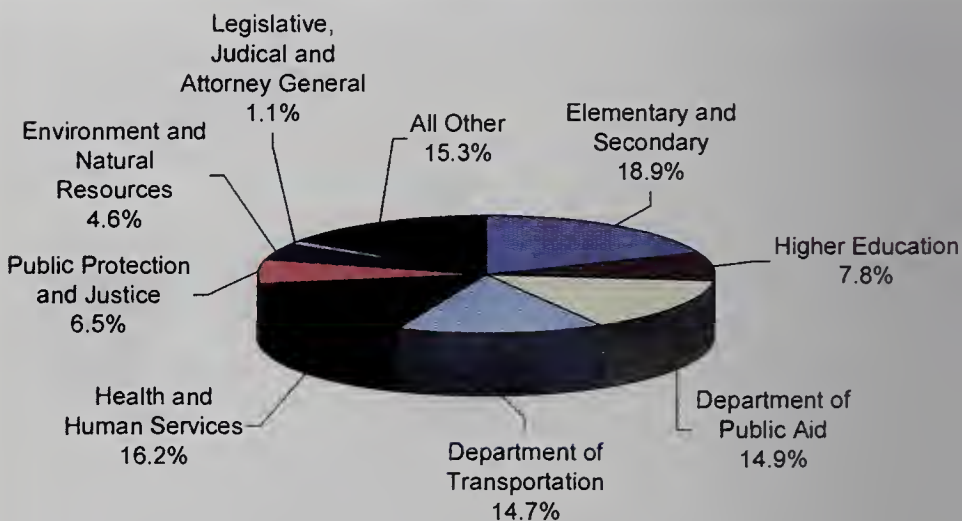
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APPROPRIATION BY MAJOR PURPOSE FY2000 General Funds



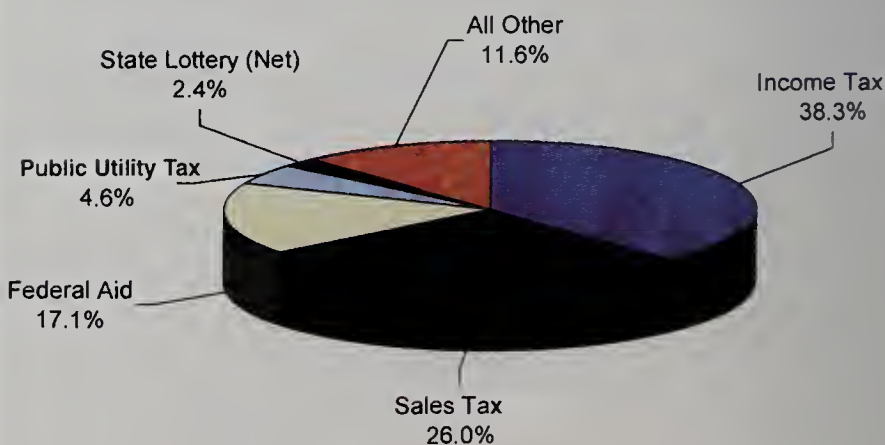
Estimated \$20.923 Million
Source: Bureau of the Budget

APPROPRIATION BY MAJOR PURPOSE FY2000 All Funds



Estimated \$42.974 Million
Source: Bureau of the Budget

ESTIMATED REVENUES BY SOURCE FY2000 General Funds



Total \$22.560 Million
Source: Bureau of the Budget

TAX-RATE LIMITATIONS IN EFFECT FOR THE 1999-2000 SCHOOL YEAR

School District Tax Rate Limitations

	District Type	Percent without Referendum ¹	Percent with Referendum
Educational Fund	Elementary	0.92	3.50
	Secondary	0.92	3.50
	Unit	1.84	4.00
Operations and Maintenance Fund	Elementary	0.25	0.55
	Secondary	0.25	0.55
	Unit	0.50	0.75
Capital Improvements Fund	All	N/A	0.75
	Elementary	0.12	As Needed
	Secondary	0.12	As Needed
Transportation Fund	Unit	0.20	As Needed
	All	N/A	0.15
Summer School	All	N/A	As Needed
	Bond and Interest Fund	N/A	As Needed
	Rent Fund	N/A	As Needed
Municipal Retirement/ Social Security Fund	All	As Needed	N/A
	Tort Immunity	As Needed	N/A
	Health Insurance	All	As Needed
Working Cash Fund	All	N/A	N/A
	Fire Prevention Safety,	All	0.05
	Energy Conservation, and School Security	All	0.05
Special Education	All	0.05	0.10
	Elementary	0.02	0.40
	Secondary	0.02	0.40
Area Vocational Education	Unit	0.04	0.80
	Secondary	N/A	0.05
	Unit	N/A	0.05
Tort Judgment Bonds	All	As Needed	N/A
	Leasing	All	0.05
	Temporary Relocation	All Eligible	0.05

¹ May be impacted by Property Tax Extension Limitation Law (Chicago District 299 not included)

ILLINOIS STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

HISTORICAL PROGRAM DATA

(Dollars in 000's)

	FY96	FY97	FY98	FY99	FY00
Total Elementary & Secondary General Revenue Funds	\$3,853,815.2	\$4,113,179.1	\$4,113,117.5	\$4,570,972.2	\$4,898,289.0
General State Aid	2,326,245.1	2,377,571.5	2,470,515.8	2,923,000.0	2,987,533.1
Foundation Level (Actual \$)	2,949.17	3,060.80	3,132.01	4,225.00	4,325.00
GSA - Hold Harmless	0.0	23,200.0	55,185.0	58,000.0	48,000.0
Reading Improvement					
Block Grant	45,389.5	45,389.5	47,389.5	83,000.0	83,000.0
Early Childhood Block Grant	107,902.4	118,101.5	133,620.5	153,663.6	169,612.8
Technology for Success	15,000.0	30,000.0	43,750.0	43,250.0	48,750.0
Bilingual Chicago	30,900.0	31,209.0	31,833.2	31,833.2	31,833.2
Bilingual Downstate	22,800.0	23,028.0	23,718.8	23,718.8	23,718.8
Extraordinary - Sp. Ed.	86,826.0	101,071.5	113,616.1	130,761.1	213,500.0
Ill Free Lunch/Breakfast	14,551.2	15,650.0	15,650.0	16,516.8	19,500.0
Orphanage Tuition 14.7					
- Spec. Ed.	79,165.0	110,478.6	124,000.0	127,092.2	128,500.0
Orphanage Tuition 18-3					
- Reg. Ed.	17,200.0	12,453.2	15,200.0	14,410.1	16,000.0
Personnel - Sp. Ed.	209,831.3	209,831.3	220,031.3	228,698.3	281,500.0
Private Tuition - Sp. Ed.	28,275.0	31,316.2	32,336.9	35,270.6	53,000.0
Summer School - Sp. Ed.	2,818.8	3,131.8	3,131.8	3,395.6	5,600.0
Transportation - Reg/Voc	132,000.0	132,000.0	134,000.0	155,582.6	186,500.0
Transportation - Sp. Ed.	120,060.0	125,584.2	132,866.7	141,138.9	181,000.0

Source: ISBE Budget Division

INTERNAL AND EXTERNAL BORROWING

- Permanent transfers among operating funds (School Code, Section 17-2A)
- Transfer of Interest earned (School Code, Section 10-22.44)
- Transfer of excess Bond and Interest Fund monies (School Code, Sections 17-2.11, 10-22.14 and 10-22.44)
- Transfer of excess fire prevention and safety tax proceeds (School Code, Section 17-2.11)
- Transfer of Working Cash Fund monies (School Code, Sections 20-5, 20-8 and 20-9)
- Interfund loans (School Code, Sections 10-22.33 and 20-4)
- State Aid Anticipation Certificates (School Code, Section 18-18)
- Personal Property Replacement Tax Notes (50 ILCS 420/4.1)
- Tax Anticipation Notes (30 ILCS 305/2 and 50 ILCS 420/5)
- Tax Anticipation Warrants (School Code, Section 17-16)
- Teachers' Orders (School Code, Section 8-16)
- Employees' Orders (School Code, Section 32-7.2)
- Anticipation of revenue (50 ILCS 425/1 et. seq.)
- Health/Life Safety Bonds (School Code, Section 17-2.11)
- Working Cash Fund Bonds (School Code, Section 20-1 et seq.)
- Funding Bonds (School Code, Sections 19-8 and 19-9)
- Refunding Bonds (School Code, Sections 19-15 and 19-16)
- Building Bonds (School Code, Sections 19-2 and 19-3)
- Certificates of Participation (School Code, Section 17-2.2.c)
- Revenue Bonds for Exhibition Facilities (School Code, Section 19a-1 et seq.)
- Tort Judgement Bonds (745 ILCS 10/9-105)
- Limited Bonds (30 ILCS 350/15)
- Alternate Bonds (30 ILCS 350/3 et seq.)

STATE, LOCAL AND FEDERAL RECEIPTS FOR THE COMMON SCHOOLS (\$ IN MILLIONS)

Year	State \$	State %	Local \$	Local %	Federal \$	Federal %	Total \$
1999-00*	\$6,776.5	39.18	\$8,953.1	51.77	\$1,565.8	9.05	\$17,295.4
1998-99	5,644.3	36.53	8,442.8	54.65	1,362.0	8.82	15,449.1
1997-98	4,849.3	33.99	8,006.6	56.07	1,417.9	9.94	14,267.8
1996-97	4,307.1	32.70	7,700.9	58.47	1,162.9	8.83	13,170.9
1995-96	3,994.8	32.07	7,339.8	58.91	1,123.7	9.02	12,458.3

*Estimates

OPERATING EXPENSE PER PUPIL (OEPP) & PER CAPITA TUITION CHARGE (PCTUIT)

Fiscal Year	Elementary Districts		High School Districts		Unit Districts		State	
	OEPP	PCTUIT	OEPP	PCTUIT	OEPP	PCTUIT	OEPP	PCTUIT
1998	\$6,193	\$5,454	\$9,662	\$8,963	\$6,359	\$5,188	\$6,682	\$5,678
1997	5,979	5,341	9,265	8,648	5,875	4,793	6,280	5,367
1996	5,684	5,101	8,975	8,341	5,850	4,788	6,157	5,260
1995	5,468	4,922	8,695	8,091	5,613	4,649	5,922	5,108
1994	5,263	4,697	8,633	8,030	5,375	4,482	5,708	4,950

LIMITATION OF ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS

Effective January 1, 1998, the following administrative expenditures are limited to a year-to-year increase not to exceed 5%:

- Executive Administration Services
- Special Area Administration Services
- Other Support Services—School Administration
- Direction of Business Support Services
- Internal Services
- Direction of Central Support Services

(Do not include Early Retirement payments or Other Pension Obligations mandated by law.)

On or before November 15th of each fiscal year, each public school district must file ISBE Form 54-32 using audited figures of the fiscal year ending June 30th of that year and budgeted figures for the next fiscal year.

Waivers – Districts may waive the limitation if they are in the 25th percentile by district type and have a two-thirds vote of the school board. (ISBE must be notified within 45 days of said board action and ISBE Form 54-32 must still be filed by November 15th.) Districts not in the 25th percentile may request a waiver pursuant to 17-1.5 and 2-3.25g of the School Code. ISBE must publish a report listing the districts not in compliance with the Act. ISBE may impose sanctions on districts not in compliance; however, districts awaiting legislative review of waivers are exempt from such sanctions.

STATEWIDE SUMMARY

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| • Number of Districts Violating <i>Section 17-1.5</i> | 0 |
| • Number of Districts Requesting Legislative Waiver
(All Requests Approved) | 13 |
| • Number of District Assurances to Meet Requirements
(Over 5% - Not in 4 th Quartile) | 9 |
| • Number of Districts Approving School Board Waiver
(40 Districts Exceeded 5%; 65 Districts Did Not Exceed 5%) | 105 |

NOTE: Data are reported from FY98 Annual Financial Report and FY99 School Budget.

CHARTER SCHOOLS

Article 27A of the School Code authorizes the establishment of 45 charter schools: 15 in Chicago, 15 in Cook and the collar counties, and 15 down-state. The main focus of charter schools is on at risk youth and accountability for results. To allow for innovation, charter schools are exempt from most state statutes, with the exception of certain protective statutes, and rules such as the health/life safety rules. They may be located in existing school buildings or separate sites. Charters are granted for periods of up to 10 years. Renewal of the charter is contingent upon student achievement and responsible fiscal management.

Proposals for a charter school must be submitted to the local board of education and must include all required components such as:

- Enrollment open to all district residents,
- No tuition charge,
- A governing board,
- Annual audit and an annual budget.

State and federal financial assistance is available to charter schools and school districts authorizing charter schools. For further information, contact Gail Lieberman at 217/782-5053 or glieberm@smtp.isbe.state.il.us.

SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION

Signed into law in December of 1997, House Bill 452 created the School Construction Law and established a state bonding program. The program has been continued with funding from the Illinois FIRST initiative. The due date for FY2001 Construction Grants is April 1, 2000 (or the first business day thereafter). Grants are awarded based on applicants' current and future facility needs and financial need. If ISBE issues Construction Grant Entitlement, the district must comply with any applicable referenda requirements. Grant Indexes range from a minimum of 35 percent to a maximum of 75 percent. Eligibility is limited to elementary/high school districts with enrollment greater than 200 and unit districts greater than 400.

The School Construction Law is amended to add a new School Maintenance Project Grant Program. Under this program, all public school districts will be eligible for state matching grants of \$50,000 for school maintenance projects. This new program is described in Section 5-100 of Senate Bill 1066. Governor Ryan signed this Bill on June 15, 1999, as PA 91-38.

PROPERTY TAX EXTENSION LIMITATION LAW (PTELL) “TAX CAPS”

This law was passed in 1996 and limits the increase in property tax extension to 5% or the percent increase in the national Consumer Price Index (CPI), whichever is less. If a school district is located in more than one county, the rules of PTELL that apply should be confirmed with each applicable county clerk.

If separate levies are made, the following types of debt instruments are excluded from the limitation:

- general obligation bonds approved by referendum,
- general obligation bonds issued prior the effective date of the law,
- bonds issued to refund or to continue to refund bonds issued prior to the effective date of the law,
- revenue bonds issued prior to the effective date of the law which are backed by a property tax levy or the full faith and credit of the local unit of government,
- building commission lease bonds issued prior to the effective date of the law, and
- limited bonds to the extent the principal and interest payments do not exceed the district's debt service extension base less certain offsetting amounts.

In general, bonds issued on or after the effective date of the law are not excluded from the limitation provisions unless they are approved by voter referendum or can be issued as “limited bonds.”

DATES TO REMEMBER

SCHOOL BUDGET (ISBE Form 50-36)

- Publish notice of availability for public inspection and hearing before September.
- Hold Public Hearing on tentative budget prior to budget adoption.
- Hold Public Meeting to adopt budget on or before September 30.
- File adopted budget and revenue estimates with County Clerk within 30 days after adoption along with affidavit of Truth in Taxation compliance.

ADMINISTRATIVE CAPS (ISBE Form 54-32)

- Notify ISBE within 45 days if your district is waiving the limitation due to inclusion in the 25th percentile and two-thirds vote of school board. (Public notice and hearing are required prior to action.)
- File Limitation of Administrative Costs Worksheet with ISBE on or before November 15.
- If a notice of deficiencies is received from ISBE, address the deficiencies within 60 days.

AFR/AUDIT (ISBE Form 50-35)

- Deliver to Regional Office of Education (ROE) on or before October 15.
- ROE may grant a time extension not to exceed 60 days.
- ROE forwards copy of AFR/Audit to ISBE on or before November 15.

STATEMENT FOR PUBLICATION (ISBE Form 50-37)

- Publish in a newspaper with general circulation in the district on or before December 1 (see 10-17 of the School Code if no local newspaper is published).
- A certified statement that the publication has been made, together with a copy of the newspaper containing it, must be filed with the Regional Office of Education on or before December 15.

TRUTH IN TAXATION

- Only applicable if the aggregate levy exceeds the prior year aggregate extension by more than five percent.
- Public notice of Public Hearing not more than 14 days nor less than 7 days prior to the public hearing.
- Hold Public Hearing on or before the last Tuesday in December.

TAX LEVIES (ISBE Form 50-02)

- File with appropriate County Clerk(s) on or before the last Tuesday in December.

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